111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. RES. 1473

Supporting backcountry airstrips and recreational aviation.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 24, 2010

Mr. Rehberg (for himself, Mr. Ehlers, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simpson, and Mr. Minnick) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

RESOLUTION

Supporting backcountry airstrips and recreational aviation.

- Whereas recreational aviation represents a significant portion of the Nation's aviation activity;
- Whereas recreational aviators utilize backcountry airstrips as access points for a variety of activities;
- Whereas backcountry airstrips provide multiple benefits to the general public, including search and rescue, fire management, research, disaster relief, and wildlife management;
- Whereas recreational aviation helps State economies by providing efficient access for visitors seeking recreational activities;

- Whereas backcountry airstrips serve as emergency landing sites in the event of mechanical problems or inclement weather;
- Whereas backcountry airstrips provide access for those who do not have the physical ability to access backcountry areas by other means; and
- Whereas recreational airstrips have a small footprint on the landscape, provide for dispersed recreational activity, and act as internal trailheads within backcountry areas: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives recog-
- 2 nizes the value of recreational aviation and backcountry
- 3 airstrips located on the Nation's public lands and com-
- 4 mends aviators and the various private organizations that
- 5 maintain these airstrips for public use.

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